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THE GREENROOM.

After a lapse extending over about two weeks the Victoria theatre will be occupied again next week on Monday evening "The Black Crook" will be given and on Wednesday Creston Clarke will appear in "The Power That Governs."

Later attractions coming are "The Burgomaster," April 11th; Mrs. Patrick Campbell, April 13th, and "Brewster's Millions," April 20th.

The New Black Crook.

A modernized version of "The Black Crook" is a comedy by the firm of Miller and Plohn, is to be the attraction at the Victoria theatre Monday night. The story of "The Black Crook" is so old that it will bear telling anew. Undoubtedly its author drew his inspiration from Goethe's "Faust." The scene is laid in a village at the foot of the Harz mountains, and many of the incidents and characters are similar to those drawn by the great German poet. Rudolph and Amina are youthful lovers, and Hertzog, nicknamed "The Black Crook," on account of his deformity, and who is a necromancer, finding that his end is approaching, enters into an agreement with Zamel, the arch fiend, whereby he is to be given a new lease of life. The compact requires that Hertzog is to provide a fresh soul once a year for Hades, and in return this is to be permitted to live another year. Each soul gives him an added year of life. Rudolph and Amina both fall under the spell of the wicked old magician and the story has to do with their adventures while being pursued by his villainy by King Wolfenstein, who has formed an unholy attachment for the maiden, but in the end all the plotters are outwitted and "The Black Crook" is himself condemned to the fate that he had intended for his would-be victim.

The story is one that lends itself admirably to the purposes of extravaganza, and for a period of forty years it has not only been popular with the theatre-going public itself, but has been the foundation for many similar productions. When first presented at Nihil's Garden in 1868 it created a sensation in New York City, and a phenomenal run there of 475 performances. It has also had long runs in New York at the Academy of Music, the most notable being its revival under the management of Eugene Tompkins, who is presenting it at the date. Messrs. Miller and Plohn have made every effort to keep their production up to the high standard set by their predecessors. Elaborate new scenery has been provided and it is promised to be one of the biggest and most expensive productions appearing outside of the 42 theatres. A very large company is necessarily employed, numbering fifty people. The piece differs greatly from the usual spectacular inasmuch as the proverbial ballets are replaced by more up-to-date musical numbers, embracing a large chorus. The comedy is very good, and the music would do credit to a modern creation. In fact, "The Black Crook" management have endeavored to rejuvenate the production and surround it with a musical comedy atmosphere rather than a tiresome pantomime.

Creston Clarke.

Two seasons ago Creston Clarke presented a portrayal of Booth Tarkington's "Monsieur Beaucaire," which lingers in the memory of many Victorians and has been fruitful of fine fancies in the time since he appeared here. This son of John Sleeper Clarke, and nephew of Edwin Booth, comes of a family which knew the art of acting, and this younger son has long been recognized as a capable, scholarly and convincing interpreter of "Hamlet," "Richelieu," "The Belts," "Monsieur Beaucaire," "The Last of His Race," and similar characterizations which appeal to a refined mentality.

The Denver Times says of his present vehicle in which he appears at the Victoria on Wednesday next:

"The Tabor had two crowded houses yesterday to see Creston Clarke in a new play called 'The Fox in the Guberners.' It is written by Adelaide Prince herself a player of some distinction and also the wife of Mr. Clarke. It is a play of considerable interest. The opening act suggests 'The Great Divide,' and the last two are flavored with the atmosphere of 'The Lion and the Mouse.' In other words, it opens with passionate melodrama and ends with society comedy. The dialogue is fluent, and the situations are vivid and create applause. The first scene, the interior of a shack on the Sierra Madre, with the brilliant atmosphere of the open window, is attractive and when, just before the curtain falls, the young heroine is rescued from a tribe of blackguards, it is thrilling—very."

"In all candor it must be said that Mr. Clarke's new play is entertaining and witty, although we wish we could get another 'Monsieur Beaucaire' with its romantic delicacy, charm and poetry. That play fitted Creston Clarke to a nicety."

The supporting company is quite good. It includes Atkins Lawrence, the white-haired veteran who plays the sort of John Ryder, and Mr. Lawrence's child wife Virginia, who is the Dorothy of the opening act and gives the part a certain adolescent grace.

The New Grand.

The New Grand continues as usual to play to capacity houses at all performances, a more than usually entertaining programme has been given big audiences all week. The closing performances will be given this evening at 7.30 and 9.15. The acts which are concluding their engagements include Topez and Topez in their beautifully staged musical act; Naomi Ethard, novelty equilibrist; Golden and Hughes, comedy blackface act; Rice and Dodd in "The Great Northwest"; Peggy Dougherty, vocalist, and Cora Hummel in impersonations.

A most promising bill has been arranged for next week, headed by W. E. Perkins, assisted by Charles Maynard and Marcia Mitchell, who will present the comedy playlet, "The Man From Chicago," by Will M. Cressy and Ira Dodge. Mr. Perkins will be remembered as having appeared at the Victoria theatre as the star in "My Friend From India." Another comedy sketch by Geo. M. Cohan, entitled "Election Bets," will be presented by the Hallen and Fuller company of three talented musical comedy artists. Their interpretation of the clever little race track problem is said to carry all the force of realism with it. The two Roses are a team of dainty young misses who have a musical act that is offered as a special attraction. A joyous melange of melody on violin and cello, rendered in a bright manner, is said to have been the key to their success. The turn also is said to include some good vocal numbers. Mile. Andrietta is billed as "singing her own original songs in her own original way," and Harry Carter, the nifty little dancing kide, will have a new song illustrated with beautiful slides, entitled "When It's Moonlight, Mary Darling"; a splendid set of moving pictures will illustrate the great play, "Ben Hur," and the orchestra will play the beautiful descriptive overture, "The Chapel in the Mountains."

TROUBLE NOW OVER LOCAL IMPROVEMENT

Provincial Government Objects to Being Assessed for Richardson Street.

The city council is just now struggling with one of the legacies of the Morley regime in the shape of a difference with the provincial government over the assessment for the local improvements put on Richardson street, opposite Government House. At the time the work was first considered the late Mayor communicated with the local government, who, it is said, offered to give a certain amount of property for street purposes, but would not agree to be assessed for the improvements made, claiming that the value of the land should cover their contribution in full. A letter to this effect was sent to ex-Mayor Morley, who, later, it is said, discussed the matter with a representative of the government, but although the government refused to reconsider its attitude, the work was proceeded with and was completed a month or six weeks ago. The final by-law in connection with the improvements was recently put through the council, and now the government objects to being assessed for the work, the amount involved being in the neighborhood of \$500. The matter was dealt with at the weekly meeting of the streets, bridges and sewers committee held last night, but no action was taken.

The question of the penalizing of Andrew Gray for his delay in completing the crossing plant, was taken up, and Ald. Pauline was appointed to meet Mr. Gray and go into the matter with him. The total penalty under the contract amounted to about \$1,000, but the council decided to levy only \$250, but Mr. Gray objects to being mulcted even this amount on the ground that the delay was not his fault, but due to conditions over which he had no control.

The incinerator question also came up for consideration, and the advisability of abandoning the idea of the erection of such a plant and dumping the sewerage into the ocean by means of scows was discussed, but no decision was reached. The matter is likely to come up in council.

PROVINCE'S MILK LAWS ARE INVALID

Judge Clement Sets Aside Conviction Passed on Vancouver Dealer.

(Special to the Times).

Vancouver, March 28.—Judge Clement gave a decision to-day in Rex vs. Garvin, the latter a milk dealer. The court set aside the conviction and the fine of a hundred dollars and costs imposed by the lower court for not having the milk up to the standard set by the provincial regulations. Judge Clement holds that the provincial regulations are invalid on the ground that they infringe on the criminal law, which is solely a matter for Dominion jurisdiction. He regrets having to come to this conclusion, from the fact that there was an admission by the defendant that his milk was adulterated as shown by a test made by the Dominion authorities. Mr. Garvin can be proceeded against under the federal act. The attorney-general will appeal to the full court.

Plans for the extension of the E. & N. railway from Duncan to Cowichan Lake were filed at the local registry office yesterday. The plans show the route of the proposed branch from station 6 plus to station 183, and also the section from Duncan to Cowichan Lake, passing through the districts of Cowichan, Quamichan and Shatlam, and covering a distance of about 32 miles. The new line when completed will open up a new farming area. No announcement has been made as yet by the officials of the company as to when construction work is likely to be commenced, but it is thought probable that the clearing of the right-of-way to the lake may be commenced this summer.

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 Interesting Information Relative
 to Affairs in China
 and Japan.
 The Boston Towboat Company's liner
 Shawmut brings advices from the East
 to the effect that Prince Chun and
 Prince Su will leave China at the end
 of this month for a tour of Europe and
 America, which they are undertaking
 for the purpose of studying the naval
 administrations of Western powers.
 It is not known whether the two
 princes will proceed to Europe by way
 of America or not, no plans having
 been made public, but there is a possibility
 that they will travel across the
 Pacific, to British Columbia or San
 Francisco. The Japan Herald says:
 A report from Peking states that when
 Prince Chun (brother of the Emperor)
 and Prince Su, president of the ministry
 of the interior, were recently re-
 ceived in audience by the throne, they
 asked their Majesties for permission to
 go abroad to study the naval adminis-
 trations of Western countries. The
 Emperor Dowager was very pleased
 with the idea and agreed to the propo-
 sal. It is stated that their Highnesses
 will probably leave China at the end
 of March next, with several other mem-
 bers of the nobility.
 Further advices by the Shawmut state
 that the smallpox epidemic in Yoko-
 hama is still virulent. Since the first
 outbreak in November last the number
 of patients has been 372. Compulsory
 vaccination has been enforced on 235-
 114 persons.
 Shortly before the Shawmut left Yo-
 kohama news was received that a dis-
 astrous fire had devastated the town of
 Noda, the centre of the "soy" manu-
 facturing industry in Chiba prefecture.
 The flames spread in all directions, and
 nearly the whole town was levelled to
 the ground, about 400 houses and toy
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**New School to Be Built in
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Seventy thousand dollars is the amount of the by-law that the school board will ask the city council to submit to the ratepayers along with the civic by-laws, which will be voted on within a few weeks. This amount will provide a new ten-room school in North Ward and also a site for it and for a school in the southern part of the city. Of the amount asked it is proposed to use \$50,000 for the erection of the new school and \$20,000 for the sites. A decision in the matter was reached at a special meeting of the school board held last evening. Several other matters including the present condition of the North Ward and Hillside schools also came up for discussion.

At the opening of the meeting Chairman Jay spoke of the necessity for more accommodation in the schools, particularly in the high school. When the consideration of the estimates for the year was up he advised the erection of a new high school and he still adhered to the opinion that this should be done and the present high school used as a graded school, the classes from the Girls' Central being transferred there, he would suggest. Since the high school was erected the number of teachers had increased from five to thirteen and the number of pupils from 202 to 288. Owing to the taking up, first of matriculation work and then of the second year in arts work, there had been a great increase in the demand for accommodation in the high school. These classes took up a large amount of the teachers' time and also much room. At present the ten class rooms were occupied, two rooms had been fitted out for the assembly room and the principal's room and also the teachers' room were being used for teaching purposes. The school was thus filled far above its capacity and there was absolutely no provision for the growth that might be expected at the beginning of next term, when, at least between 50 and 60 new pupils would come in, while not nearly that many would be retiring. Another reason why a new high school should be erected was that there was no means by which accommodation could be provided for the taking up of applied science work. There was only two things to do, build an addition to the present high school and also a new graded school or turn the present high school into a graded school and erect a new high school. It was impossible to add to the present high school as the ground was already too small so that the only way out of the difficulty that he saw was to build a new high school.

Trustee McNeil opposed Mr. Jay's proposition for the building of a new high school as he had opposed it earlier in the year. A new high school could not be erected for less than between \$100,000 and \$125,000. He was positive from conversations he had had with people about town that it would be impossible to secure the endowment by the ratepayers of a by-law to raise \$100,000, even for the erection of a high school building. It was also a wrong policy to concentrate the graded schools as Mr. Jay's proposition meant would be done. The schools should come to the children not the children to the schools. It should be the policy of the board to distribute the schools so that the children attending them should be able to go home for lunch, instead of bringing their lunches with them and spending the noon hour about the schools. As to what Mr. Jay had said about the grounds at the high school being too small to permit of an addition being made to the building, he would like to point out that if the present high school were turned into a graded school there would be at least 500 pupils at all with the grade of half that number at present, so that lack of ground in that event would be still more keenly felt. He didn't see why the high school could not get along as it was for a year or so. It was possible that sub-high school classes might be withdrawn in which case there would be lots of room for the regular high school work. The location of the proposed university and also of the normal school had not yet been decided upon, and the selection might have an important bearing on the high school question. The proper policy for the board was to first put the lower schools in the best possible condition. Personally, he thought that \$50,000 or \$65,000 was all that the people should be asked to vote this year. The total amount required by the board this year for running expenses was no less than \$111,873.50, a sum very much in excess of the figure for last year. This board, he might say, could not be held responsible for this, but the increase would certainly affect any vote taken on a by-law to raise money for school purposes. The government, it was fair to say, however, would provide a portion of the running expenses as usual, but even then the figures were large.

In order to bring the matter to a head, Trustee McNeil undertook to draft a resolution. While he was doing so Trustee Christie drew attention to what he described as the disgraceful condition of the basement of North Ward school. This was largely the fault of the principal who had not insisted on the caretaker doing his duty. He added that some time ago he had seen the caretaker about this same matter, but on the occasion of his last visit had observed no improvement. Trustee McNeil then submitted his resolution which was to the effect that the city council be asked to submit a by-law to raise \$70,000, of which \$50,000 was intended to be used for the erection of a new school in North Ward and \$20,000 for a site for this school,

and for another in the southeastern portion of the city.
 In speaking to the resolution, Mr. McNeil said that the amount asked for the new building would provide a ten-room school, which would enable the board to close up "that disseminator of disease," the Hillside school, and would also relieve the congestion in the Spring Ridge and Central schools. In view of the large increase in population in the southeastern portion of the city it would in the very near future be necessary to erect a school somewhere on the Fairfield estate. Personally, he thought, that \$65,000 would be enough to ask for but the members of the building and grounds committee thought that \$70,000 was necessary and he was meeting their wishes in the matter.

Trustee Riddell seconded Mr. McNeil's resolution and in doing so said that he agreed with all that Mr. Jay had said about the necessity for a new high school but he also agreed with what Mr. McNeil had said about the impossibility of passing a high school by-law at the present time. If he thought that such a by-law could be carried, his name would not be on Mr. McNeil's motion as the seconder. The North Ward and Hillside schools were in the condition and a new school was necessary. A building such as Mr. McNeil proposed would not only provide a remedy for this but would also relieve the Spring Ridge school. A new school in the southern portion of the city was also a necessity.

Trustee Bishop also thought that the ratepayers would turn down a high school by-law and that therefore the best thing to do was to pass the resolution before the board. The Hillside and Spring Ridge schools were in an awful condition at present.
 Mr. McNeil's motion was then passed unanimously.
 A communication from W. Ridgeway-Wilson asking for the payment of \$27 on account of architect's fees in connection with the new Victoria West school was referred to the building and grounds committee.
 Mr. McNeil drew attention to the conditions of the North Ward school. Not only were the lavatories in an awful condition but 36 panes of glass were missing from the windows, vent-
 ilarators were broken and the corridors were in a filthy condition.
 Another matter brought up by Mr. McNeil was that of teachers refusing children permission to leave the room. He had had several complaints about the matter. This was privilege that might be abused, but he thought that any teacher by the exercise of common sense would know when this was being done. It was suggested that the matter be referred to Superintendent Feal to take up with the various principals.

In this connection Mr. Paul asked what his exact position was at the present time. He was practically through the second year work in the high school now and would be through his other work for the year by the middle of April. He would like, following this, to have an opportunity of visiting the various schools and seeing the work being done, for in July when he would assume his active duties as superintendent the schools would be closed.
 It was informed that he was at present superintendent of city schools and was supposed to act in an advisory capacity to the board, so that he had authority in the matter referred to him. He would also be expected to visit the schools after the close of his high school work as he himself had proposed.
 The building operations at the new Victoria West school will interfere with the present structure and the matter of closing one room and holding a class in the Baptist mission was left with the building and grounds committee.
 The request of the boys of the high school for a glass in which to put the many cups and trophies the school has won was presented by Trustee Stanland, and will come up at the next meeting of the board.

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 "I was troubled for five years with a chronic disease. I tried everything I heard of, but nothing did me any good. Some doctors said my trouble was catarrh of the bowels, and some said constipation of the bowels. One doctor said he could cure me; I took his medicine two months, but it did me no good. A friend of mine advised me to try Peruna and I did so. After I had taken two bottles I found it was helping me, so I continued its use, and it has cured me sound and well.
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Stomach Trouble.
 Miss Anna Carlson, Clayton, Ill., writes:
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Stomach Catarrh.
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Mrs. O. D. ROBINSON
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What Other People Think

"VICTORIA THE BEAUTIFUL."
 To the Editor:—To one taking an interest in the future of Victoria, hoping some day to see our city held up as an example of cleanliness and beauty, it is gratifying to note the many expressions of approval brought forth by Mr. Joseph Tasse's proposal for a comprehensive scheme of civic improvement.
 "Victoria the Beautiful" has been dimmed into our ears persistently by those who in smug complacency seem to regard the natural charms of our surroundings as all sufficient, overlooking the obvious fact that Victorians in the past carelessly—not deliberately, as would appear to an observant stranger—outraged Nature by the aliphadow way in which they built and maintained the city.
 The phrase, whoever coined it, has acted as a soporific as deadly to progress as the "dog" of the opium joint. "Beautiful Victoria," quotha! What have its inhabitants done to preserve the name? Rather what have they not done to make it a by-word and a mockery?
 In the beginning the city was laid out by rule of thumb. Every cow path and short cut was carefully preserved in the original surveys, so that there is scarcely a straight street or one of uniform width, and so greedy were those old pioneers for land, lanes are almost unknown. In consequence of the latter fact wood, coal, etc., has to be dumped at one's front door, every load leaving its unsightly litter of chips, silvers and dust after the bulk has been laboriously bestowed in the woodshed or cellar. To-day it would require the audacity of a Hausman, backed by an autocrat, to correct these errors of the past, unless the property owners become parties to a give and take agreement which would smooth the way to a complete re-survey of the city. Such a scheme would not entail so very large an expenditure as might appear at first glance, if it were approached in a proper spirit. Where one owner might lose a few feet of land to the apparent gain of his neighbor, the loss would be fully compensated in the enhanced value created by the improvement. In the matter of lanes, the increased comfort and convenience would fully make up for the loss of a fraction of yard room, besides providing a proper place for telegraph, telephone and electric light poles, which now so greatly mar the appearance of the streets.
 Much more might be said about the mistakes of the past and the transgressions of the present—the untidy, unkept grass grown streets, the rubbish-strewn vacant lots, the hideous, ricketty board fences, the tumble-down shacks and other enormities—which disgrace the face of Nature, but it is enough to say that before we are justified in calling Victoria "The Beautiful" we must decide upon a sweeping measure of reform. The first step would be re-arrangement of street lines. There are scores of cities in America and Europe which have spent millions in straightening and widening their streets, forced thereto by expansion, and now is the time for Victoria to act in that direction, for whatever pessimists may say regarding her future, Victoria is destined to become a great city, great beyond the dreams of the most sanguine of her citizens, and it is our duty to provide the field upon which may be built "Victoria the Beautiful."
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—Miss Charlotte Spencer will sing in the Metropolitan church to-morrow evening.

—The J. B. A. lacrosse team will practice at Beacon Hill to-morrow morning, and not at Oak Bay, as stated in the morning paper.

—The regular Saturday night dance will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall this evening. Miss Thain's orchestra will supply the music.

—In the New Grand theatre to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock Mrs. Hattie Titus will address a meeting, her subject being "The Persecution of Socialists."

—James Payne and Alfred Mason, the two men sentenced by Magistrate Jay yesterday, to three years in the penitentiary for theft, were taken over to New Westminster yesterday.

—On Monday evening the Young People's Society of St. Andrew's church will give a peanut social. Peanuts will enter into most of the games, which will be all new and novel. Afterwards will follow a good musical programme, and the evening will end with promenades and refreshments. A few surprises and a good time are promised to all by the committee in charge. A kind invitation is given to any stranger to attend.

MINING ACCIDENT
IN THE ATLIN CAMP

Two Victorians Caught in Cave-in at Spruce Creek Mine.

A report to hand says that W. Allott, a son of W. Allott, auditor in the C. P. R. offices here, and A. St. George Bowley, partners in a mining claim on Spruce creek, were buried by a fall of earth which is said to have occurred on Wednesday evening last.

A. Allott, a brother of one of the partners, arrived from Vancouver last night. He received a telegram from his brother, Alex., who is at the mine, saying that a cave-in had occurred, but beyond that he has little information. The two partners, it is believed, were buried by the fall. Mr. Allott, however, has no definite news that their lives have been lost. It is presumed, however, that the accident must have resulted fatally. Mr. Bowley is well known locally, and will be remembered as teller of the Bank of British North America about six years ago. He was afterwards clerk at the Victoria hotel in this city, and went to the South African war where he served first as a private and afterwards as an officer in an English regiment. A. Allott, who brought the news here, is connected with the Bank of B. N. A. at Vancouver, and it was there that the telegram from his brother Alex., containing the scanty news reached him. Upon its receipt he immediately came here to ascertain if the other members of the family knew any further particulars. They, however, knew nothing of the matter, and news is awaited by them with anxiety.

Other rumors of the accident say that after the cave-in occurred a man named Anderson, who was present, but out of the line of danger, gave the alarm and formed a rescue party from among those in the vicinity, and that about ten o'clock on Wednesday night they obtained communication with the buried men, but before a rescue could be effected a second fall obliterated the shaft, and several hours' work and caused the death of the two men. It is this statement that Mr. A. Allott discredits, as he thinks the telegram he received would not have left the vicinity until Thursday, by which time the actual facts would be known there.

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ISSUES A WARNING TO ALL BICYCLISTS

Fine for Riding on Sidewalks to Be Increased in Future Convictions.

Magistrate Jay this morning issued a warning to bicyclists who persist in riding on the sidewalks in violation of the civic by-laws that in future those found guilty would be fined \$5 for a first offence, instead of \$2, the amount that has up to the present been levied for this offence, while the tariff would be correspondingly increased for second and more frequent offenders. Several cases of this kind have come before the magistrate lately, most of those accused merely paying their fine, without having to formally appear in court. There were a couple of such cases in court to-day and at their conclusion, Magistrate Jay said that he desired to say for the information of the public generally that all persons hereafter found guilty before him of riding on the sidewalks would be fined \$5 for the first offence, and a correspondingly higher rate for subsequent convictions. The practice had grown altogether too prevalent and the police were being given considerable trouble as a result. They would see if an increase in the amount of the fine would not have some effect.

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—Charles Cullin, provincial constable at Prince Rupert, has brought to Vancouver, K. Tane, a Japanese, who has been committed for trial for stabbing and wounding Nagai, another Japanese, and will leave again on the Amur on Wednesday next. The Japanese were working at the pulp works at Swanson Bay. Over indulgence in Chinese wine caused a quarrel, during the course of which Tane slashed at the other across the stomach inflicting a seven-inch wound. He made his escape in a dory to Hartley Bay, 40 miles distant where he was held by Captain McCoskrie. He admitted the murder and was sent to Chief Constable Vickers, at Prince Rupert, and returned to Swanson Bay where he was committed for trial by Captain Locke, who held court on board the Amur. Tane was nine days in the open boat without food, water or blankets and was in a very weak state when he reached Hartley Bay.

—The funeral of Faith Fleet, the five-year-old daughter of Rear-Admiral and Mrs. Fleet, was held from the residence of Senator Macdonald yesterday at the Reformed Episcopal church, where funeral services were conducted by Right Rev. Bishop Crigg, and by Rev. T. W. Gladstone at the burial ground, Ross Bay. The pallbearers were: Dr. Helmeke, J. R. Anderson, H. Laundry and Major Hibben.

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MANY ENTRIES FOR DOG AND CAT SHOW

Marked Interest is Being Taken in the Coming Event.

Considerably over two hundred entries of dogs have been made in the annual bench show which opens in the drill hall on Wednesday of next week, continuing until Saturday night. As was natural in a city in a sporting district entries in the sporting classes are the most numerous, especially in English setters. There is also a decided revival in Gordon setters which is most interesting to note. Pointers will also keep their usual good reputation as a representative sportsman's dog.

Vancouver has a large number of entries and some of the dogs being shown are new importations from England. This will make a very attractive feature of the show as it makes the decisions very doubtful.

The finest prize list that has ever been given here has been arranged and a few of the cups may be seen in the windows of Wilson Brothers, clothiers on Government street. Judge Cole, who will make the awards, is one of the best judges on the continent. He will judge all classes and his wide experience fits him particularly for the work to be done.

Already there are about two dozen cats entered. Entries for these will be received up to as late as noon on Friday of next week. The cats will be placed on exhibition only during the last two days of the show and may be taken away at night. This will be an especially attractive feature. Some of the cats entered are oddities. There are also kings and queens of the pussy tribe which will take a lot of beating. J. Large, who will award the prizes, is an old judge of cats, and exhibitors can make no mistake in entering their felines when they know that they are to be placed by such an expert as he is.

As the show is to be held in the drill hall there will be plenty of room and the attendance is expected to be much larger than is usual on such occasions.

MONDAY, THE 30th,
Is the Last Day on Which to Have Names Enrolled on the Voters' List.

The Liberal Rooms are always open from 9:30 a. m. till 9:30 p. m., is a convenient place to register for those not having time to go to the Court House. Anyone living in Esquimalt District can have their names put on at the Liberal Rooms, the Court House, or by applying to the postmaster of Thoburn or Beaumont Postoffices.

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Mayor Hall Receives Letter Inviting Order for Finery for Quebec Celebration.

Mayor Hall receives a great variety of communications in his official capacity as chief magistrate of Victoria. This morning, for example, in his mail was a letter in which the writer inquired whether he was going to attend the Tercentenary celebration at Quebec this summer at which the Prince of Wales would be present, and if so would he require a new robe of office and a new cocked hat. An illustrated catalogue was enclosed in which various styles of robes and cocked hats were shown, from those worn by the lord mayor of London down. The writer would be only too willing to fill the Mayor's orders for all the regalia he might require for the occasion.

Needless to say the firm will secure no order from Mayor Hall, who, if he attends the tercentenary celebration, as he is likely to, will do so in frock coat and silk hat, as has been worn on like occasions by other mayors of Victoria.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS.

No Drills Next Week Owing to Dog Show Being Held.

The latest orders issued by Major Wilson, acting adjutant of the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., are as follows: The use of the drill hall having been granted to the Victoria Kennel Club, from the 30th instant to April 4th, there will not be any drill next week. In consequence of the above the regular monthly meeting of the officers mess will be held in the drill hall on Thursday, April 9th at 8 o'clock p. m. in undress uniform.

—Yesterday a permit was granted to George F. D. Simpson, for a frame house at the corner of St. John and Quebec street, to cost \$1,450. Thomas C. Sorby is the architect and McCrea & Marshall the contractors.

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Senior Organization Appointed Officers for Coming Season.

Preliminary steps were taken last night at a meeting held in the city hall to acquire the grounds at the corner of Cook and Pembroke streets and also to form a Victoria lacrosse club, which will probably put a first class senior team in the field, and also act as a sort of parent organization to the other lacrosse clubs, although born later. Mayor Hall was present at the earlier stages of the meeting, and although he had to retire to take part in another meeting, he put his name on the list for a block of stock in the new association.

an association in order to set the ball rolling. Stanley Peelle thought the best plan was to form a committee of five to find out if the stock could be subscribed, and then they could go ahead. He moved an amendment to that effect.

Herbert Cuthbert agreed with Mr. McGurn that the lease needed some explanation. It was the only ground that could be secured. The lacrosse team here years ago was a good thing for the city. If the lease appealed to the business men he thought it should be pushed ahead. He suggested that the meeting pass a resolution favoring the formation of a committee and appoint a committee.

McGurn did not favor putting off as was customary in this city. He wanted to set the work going. He had seen dozens of people, and he felt sure that all of them would support the scheme.

Skene Lowe did not think very much of the proposition, but he thought it was the best they could get. From what he knew of Mr. McGurn he felt sure he would carry it to a successful issue.

Mr. Crawford thought the speeches which had been made should arouse the enthusiasm of all. He favored taking action at once. Lacrosse had dwindled down, but there was no reason why it should not be built up again.

The chairman thought although the proposition did not look a very good one it was probably the best they could do. This should be looked upon as a city enterprise. He thought that a good revenue would be forthcoming from football as well as lacrosse.

treasurer, Stanley Peelle. Three delegates, Foster McGurn, Stanley Peelle and Walter Lorimer, were appointed to attend the meetings of the B. C. Association to-day. After some discussion of detail work the meeting adjourned.

FISHING AND HUNTING.

The lure of the streams is strong today in the neighborhood of Victoria. There are plenty of fish waiting to be caught and there is an army of men, eye and lads, too, anxious to be throwing a fly, dangling a worm, or trolling a spoon. The law says they and they are off to do it. Some are not able to go out until to-morrow morning. If the weather continues like this they will have a glorious day.

Anglers Lazy. It is said by some that fishing is a lazy business. Perhaps it is to some, but the man who walks four or five or ten miles and whips the stream for another mile or two can hardly be said to be lazy. Neither can he be said to be lazy who fishes in Saanich arm below Seventeen-Mile. Suppose he rows several miles back and forth with his trolling hooks out. Then having caught a dozen five pounders has to pack them up the steep hillside to the railway track. Hardly a lazy job that.

Cowichan Lake. Trout are said to be taking at Cowichan lake. W. Monteth with his wife and family expect to go up on Thursday next. Mr. Monteth is an ardent angler, and some of the other members of the family are fond of fishing, too.

Revised Club. A proposal has been made that the local fish and game club should be re-organized and an effort made to infuse some life into the organization. In other cities and districts the sportsmen combine with some effect.

Rod and Reel Club. At a recent meeting of up-country anglers the Kaslo Rod and Reel Club was formed, the following constitution being adopted: The object of the club shall be to promote the sport of rod and reel fishing, and the preservation and propagation of game fish indigenous to Kootenay waters.

1. By interesting residents of the district in rod and reel fishing. 2. By calling the attention of outside fishermen to the unrivaled sport to be had fishing in Kootenay waters. 3. By furnishing information and entertaining visiting fishermen.

4. By formulating rules and regulations for fishing to be observed by all members and honorary members of the club fishing in the district. 5. By providing trophies, badges, honorary positions, etc., for catches of fish made by members and honorary members of the club.

6. By using the influence of the club to promote the strict observance by all persons of the fishing laws of the province of British Columbia. 7. By recommending amendments to and alterations in said laws as may from time to time be deemed necessary.

8. By acquiring a thorough knowledge of the nature and habits of fish indigenous to Kootenay waters. 9. By protecting the natural spawning grounds of said fish. 10. By securing the erection of hatcheries or any other means found necessary for the propagation of said fish.

11. By using the influence of the club to prevent the stocking of Kootenay waters with fish of any description that would in any way tend to destroy game fish indigenous thereto.

Reward For Ananias. The president and vice-president of the club will be the two men who on each previous year land the two heaviest fish in the district. Should such a rule as this be put into force in the Victoria district it baffles the imagination to say how big some of the fish caught here might be.

the edge of the rocks opposite the golf links. A Heavy Basket. Some days ago Ernil Todd made a big catch of grise in Saanich arm. He is said to have landed 52 fish.

THE RING. DATE SET.

Tuesday, April 7th, has been definitely set for the meeting of Watt Adams, of this city, with George Paris, of Vancouver. A wire was received yesterday from Manager Denam, of the Victoria theatre, who is in Portland, giving them the theatre for the date. George Paris will arrive in Victoria on Wednesday next, and will work out in the Victoria West athletic hall, where he may be seen and tested by anyone wishing to do so.

BASKETBALL. BIG GAME TO-NIGHT.

There will be a very interesting basketball game to-night in the skating rink at 9 o'clock between the Vancouver Athletic Association and the Victoria High school. This is one of the games in the provincial championship series, and should attract a great crowd.

GENERAL NOTES.

The Central Lacrosse Club will hold their initial practice at 10 o'clock both intermediates and juniors are asked to turn out.

NORTH WARD ORGANIZE CLUB

TO CONTROL GAMES IN THEIR DISTRICT

Officers Elected and Committees Appointed at Meeting Last Night.

There was a very enthusiastic meeting last night in the North Ward school for the purpose of forming a North Ward Athletic Association. About fifty and sixty young men were present, and arrangements were made for commencing work at once. The matter of a club house was left over for a time, as this part of the work is not necessary just yet. It is thought that this will be taken up before the autumn, so that the club may have a winter home.

It has been pointed out that many of the best athletes in the city reside in the northern part of the city, among them is Ronald Heater, the crack high jumper, and Edward Christopher, the runner.

Officers were elected for the new club as follows: Hon. president, Richard Hall; president, Harry Ross; vice-presidents, F. Anderson and Ed. Christopher; secretary, Fred Dinale; treasurer, J. Dodd; executive committee, J. Dakke, W. Blake and C. Cousins.

Chairman of the baseball committee, F. McConnell; chairman of lacrosse committee, J. Dakke; chairman of the field sports committee, Edward Christopher. A committee was appointed to interview the city council on Monday next to ask that an appropriation be made to put the North Ward park in condition for practicing. This will probably be done, as the parks board have already made a recommendation along the same lines.

A professor at the college of St. Giroux, Paris, proposes the establishment of an independent Esperanto state in Moresnet, a neutral territory, five miles from Aix-la-Chapelle, on the confines of Belgium. It has 3,000 inhabitants.

RUGBY CLUB HELD MEETING

SEASON CLOSURES WITH BALANCE IN HAND

Arrangements Will Be Made to Play Old Country Team if Possible.

There was an enthusiastic meeting of Rugby players present at the meeting held last night in the Driad hotel for the purpose of winding up the business for the season. The secretary proffered his resignation, but it was not accepted. Mr. Sweeney being asked to continue at least to the first meeting of next season, when the club would be in a better position to make an appointment.

In connection with playing a game with the team of Old Countrymen, if they come this way, it was decided to do so if arrangements can possibly be made.

The following report was submitted by the secretary: To the Officers and Members of the Victoria Rugby Club.

Gentlemen:—In submitting the club's report for the season of 1907-08 I do so with much pleasure, as it has been the most successful season since Victoria had their famous championship team, some five years ago.

Never in the history of the club has such enthusiasm been shown in the game, especially after the defeat of the crack college team of Stanford university. This brought out a large crowd to witness the game against Vancouver a week later, which game should have resulted in a draw, only for a little ill-luck in the last few minutes of play.

This left our team second in the British Columbia championship. During the season we played seven games against outside teams and won four of them.

In the intermediate series our team did real well, winning the British Columbia championship in two straight games from Vancouver, after the latter had defeated Nanaimo; and as the intermediate of to-day is the senior of to-morrow, it looks promising for a senior championship team in Victoria next year.

The club is in a good financial position, having all bills paid and a small balance in the bank, as follows:

Table with financial details: Balance from last year (1907)... \$ 1 35, Donation by A. T. Goward... 5 00, Net proceeds, Oct. 7th game... 7 45, Net proceeds, Nov. 2nd game... 47 35, Net proceeds, Dec. 3rd game... 8 50, Net proceeds, Dec. 21st game... 5 00, Net proceeds, Jan. 13th game... 217 50, Net proceeds, Feb. 12th game... 8 95, Sale of membership tickets... 6 50

Table with financial details: Total receipts... \$307 50, Expenditures: Voucher cheques, herewith... \$320 05, Sundry expenses, telegrams, lemons, whit-hazel, etc... 6 50, Total expenditures... \$326 55, Balance in Northern Bank... 9 05, \$307 60

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NOTICE is hereby given that, under
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Canada, 1892, Chapter 115, the undersig-
ned, by petition dated this day, have ap-
plied to the Governor in Council for ap-
proval of the area plans and site of the
following proposed works to occupy part
of the foreshore and submerged grounds
adjoining or abutting on all those certain
parcels of land lying in the District of
Esquimalt, in the Province of British
Columbia, known, numbered and describ-
ed as Blocks two (2) and three (3) of sub-
division of Section sixteen (16), namely:
A wooden wharf supported on piles and
extending from high water mark out-
wards, a depth of two hundred (200) feet,
having a width of one hundred (100) feet
and having erected thereon bunks and
conveyers for the handling of sand and
gravel.

A plan of the said proposed works and
a description by metes and bounds of the
foreshore and submerged ground to be
occupied thereby have been deposited
with the Minister of Public Works, and
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Local Markets—Stock Quotations From New York, Chicago
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The Local Markets

Table listing various agricultural products and their prices, including Garden Produce, Meat, and Pastry Flours.

Table listing various grains and their prices, including Wheat, Corn, and Barley.

Table listing various fish and seafood products and their prices, including Salmon, Halibut, and Crabs.

Table listing various fruits and vegetables and their prices, including Apples, Peaches, and Onions.

NEW YORK STOCKS

(By Courtesy of F. W. Stevenson).
New York, March 28.—There was ap-
parently a reversal of sentiment in the
stock market to-day, and while open-
ing prices were about on a par with yester-
day's close a heavy tone developed in the
early trading and wiped out the larger
portion of yesterday's gains. The active
demand which was in evidence yesterday
in stocks like Amalgam Copper and Canadian
Pacific was lacking to-day, and these
stocks were apparently under heavy
pressure. The heavy tone of the stock
market was a disturbing factor, while the
prospective Union Pacific bond issue was
also viewed from the bearish point of
view. The bank statement disclosed ap-
proximately the expected gain in cash.
The closing prices were heavy and dis-
closed losses of from one to two points
in all the more active issues.

Table of New York Stock prices, including Amalgam Copper, Canadian Pacific, and various bonds.

MINING STOCKS

Table of Mining Stock prices, including Ajax, Alameda, American Commander, and others.

Chicago Board of Trade

(By Courtesy of F. W. Stevenson).
Chicago, March 28.—Favorable weather
conditions throughout the southwest and
liberal shipments from the Argentine
total were responsible for a continuation of
the weakness manifested in yesterday's
wheat market. The May option opened
unchanged at 94 3/4¢, sold up to 94 1/2¢,
and then declined steadily to 93 1/2¢. The
closing was fractionally higher at 93 3/4¢,
a net loss of 1/4¢, and July 1/2¢ lower at 88 1/2¢.

BANK STATEMENT

Table of Bank Statement for New York, March 28, showing members' daily average cash reserve, deposits, and loans.

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other throat and lung troubles."
P. THURER, Captain Salvation Army.
Ann Street, Toronto, Aug. 13th, 1907.

The London Exchange

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson).
London, March 28.

Table of London Exchange rates for various currencies and commodities.

THE BOND MARKET

Table of Bond Market prices, including U.S. 2s reg., U.S. 3s reg., and various municipal bonds.

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tion to the best houses of its size in Canada and the west coast. The outlook from the rear frontage, which has been designed to overlook the sea, will serve to give one of the finest views obtainable and has been said to offer many of the beauties of nature that are to be obtained in the Mediterranean, Sydney harbor, and Rio de Janeiro. From the south windows will be seen an extensive view of the straits, but closer at hand, after forty to fifty acres of fir forest which will also be left standing will act as shelter to the open

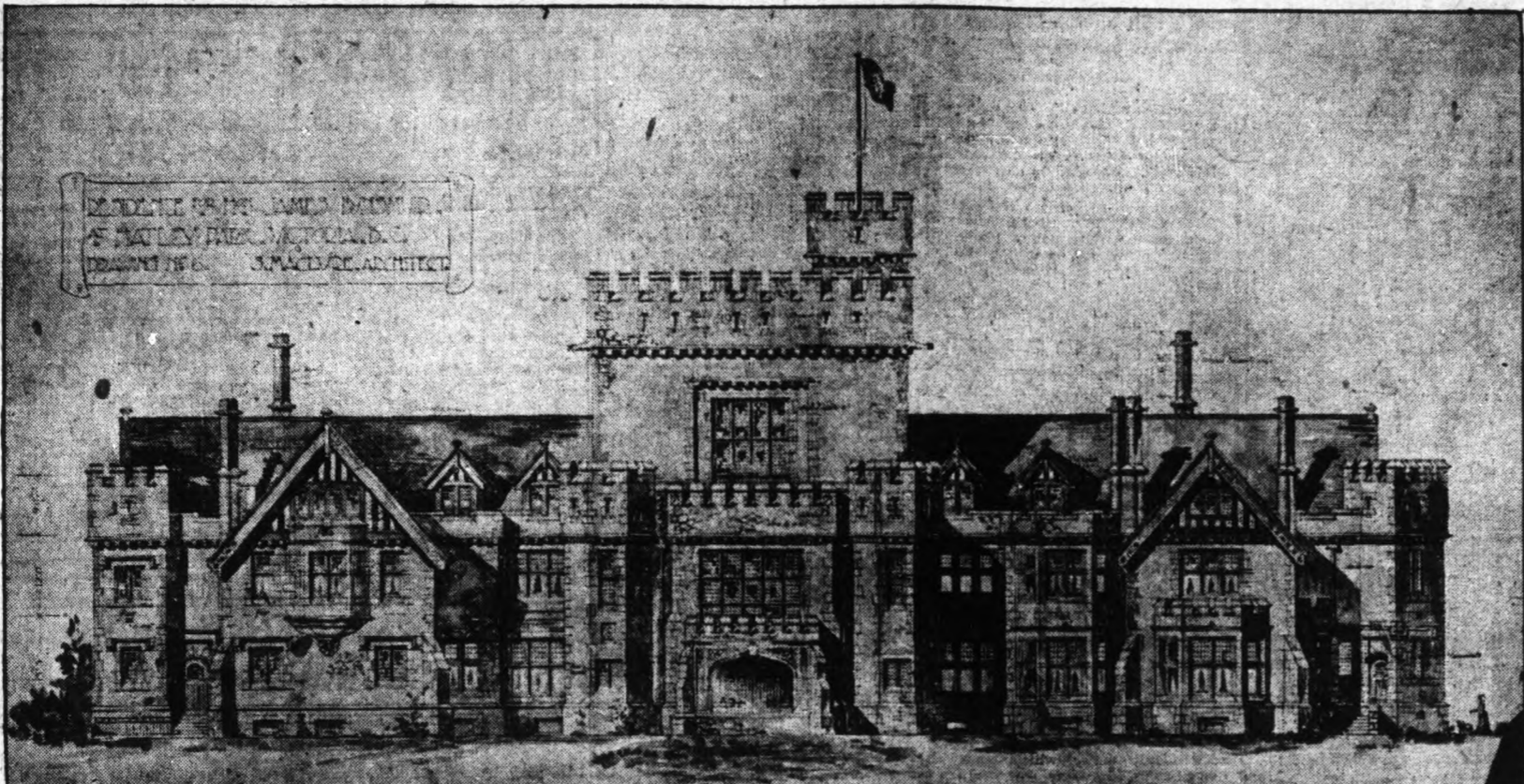
house by a stone stairway from the upper terrace, where double flights of steps are planned circling round a wide artificial lily pond centered by a fountain. The same plan of steps will make connections between the second and third terraces, but in this instance the lily pond and fountain will not be duplicated. In its place, however, will be laid out the croquet court, from which to the lagoon shore will be but a few yards. The total distance from the large bay window of the drawing-room to the lagoon shore will be about four hundred yards. The style of architecture introduced in the building is fifteenth century domestic gothic, and was used as it was the choice of several styles by Mrs. Dunsmuir, who pronounced that the old gothic would be more in keeping with the natural beauties of the surroundings. The building will contain thirty-six main rooms besides which there are to be erected at a later date additional buildings which will serve as servants quarters. These it is said will be built apart from the main structure. There will however be a large number of

small rooms of lesser importance contained in the main building. The residence will comprise three stories and basement, and the whole will be supplemented with a square tower fifty feet square in which will be situated a suite of rooms which are designed to be occupied as bedrooms. Entrance will be obtained on the front from a handsome porte cochere and the governor's private entrance will be situated at the west end of the building and will lead straight into a hallway connecting with the smoking and billiard rooms. Altogether there have been designed three entrances on the front of the building, and there will on the sky overlooking the lagoon and the sea be two other entrances, which have been arranged to lead out from the drawing-room. The building will be composed entire-

ly of iron, for the outer walls, while the basement walls will be of concrete underground and of granite above; random rubble granite is to be used for this purpose, and it will be obtained mostly on the estate. Above the basement the window trimmings will be of Saturna island sandstone rock faced. Slate will be used for the roof. For the interior decorations different styles of wall panelling will be introduced and woods from all parts of the world will be used in the portion of the work. The main halls and the corridors will be finished in antique quartered oak, and the same material will be used but this is to be finished in white enamel. The main stairs will be built of oak in their entirety. There will be dome flights and they will probably take an Elizabethan design. This, however, has not as yet been definitely decided, but it is intended that they shall be very fine in design and very rich in carving. Between the two flights there will be a gallery sufficiently large for an organ. The living room is to be panelled in

mahogany eight feet high, and to have a massive beam ceiling and mantle piece also of the same wood. The smoking room has been set aside for special attention, the wood for the walls of which is to be brought from the Fiji Islands and is known as Yaka. The billiard room has been planned for a Dutch room, and will be lined with Clayburn bricks of selected colors to eight feet. The ceiling will be of finished oak and dark in color. The room is lighted from the north by a large bay window. The ceiling in the corridors and drawing-room will be richly decorated with plaster from special designs, and the floors are to be laid of oak and Australian mahogany. The woodwork in the bedrooms is chiefly of white enamel. For the bathrooms there are to

purpose. Tennis courts of grass will be on the east of the house and close to the trees, affording shelter. Boat houses and bath houses will be erected on the lagoon shore and a tea pavilion erected at a point where the Stuart monument now stands. At the west end will be the stables and automobile garage. The cleared space of the estate provides sufficient area for the establishment of a model dairy farm and fishing can be had at the mouth of the lagoon, while grouse and pheasant shooting are found in the forest. The whole when completed will make one of the finest residences on the coast and in the west. The contract for the building has been let in one contract to Thomas Catterall, who already has the foundations completed, and will have the basement finished in about two weeks' time. At the present time there are about one hundred men employed on the work. Mr. Catterall says that the present force will shortly be augmented to double the present size. The workmen there at present are located in tents and bunk-houses, while there is a restaurant run by an independent caterer. The park presents a busy scene at the present time, great quantities of cement, tons of stone, bricks, steel, lumber and other building materials being shipped in by train, scows and teams. The site will grow busier as the work proceeds and for a year at least the glories of the scene will be entirely in the hands of the contractor and his men. The roads of bridges leading to the residences are greatly in need of repair. A wharf at the foot of Benson avenue would be of inestimable advantage. At present when the tide is low in the lagoon it is impossible to enter, hence the need of a wharf as indicated.



FRONT ELEVATION OF HON. J. DUNSMUIR'S COUNTRY RESIDENCE AT HATLEY PARK.

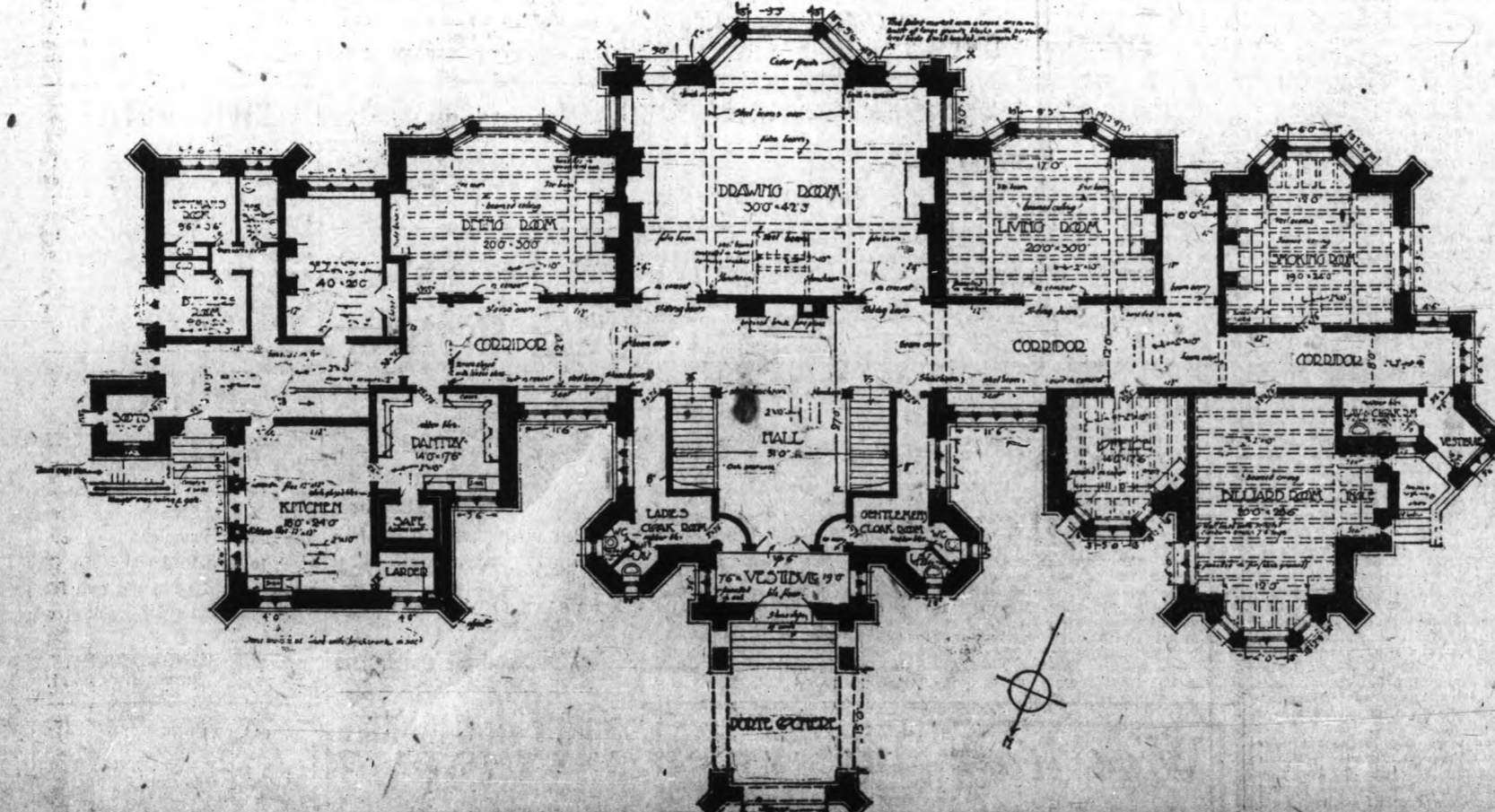
There will also be another entrance, garden entrance to the terrace, which will lead to the long corridor and servants entrance will be arranged at the east end of the building. French doors from the drawing-room make the garden drawing entrances. From the twelve-foot porte cochere entrance will be obtained into the vestibule, and thence into the main hall, which is to become a feature of the structure when completed. The main hall will be huge in its dimensions, measuring forty-two feet by thirty-five and will have a double staircase running on either side of it to the stories above, but will in no way interfere with the magnificence of the hall, which will remain opened clear up to the roof truss, where will be shown the beamed ceiling. The inside space has been allotted to twenty-four bedrooms, six bathrooms, closets, sewing, linen and strong rooms above the first story. The main floor will be devoted to the drawing-room, dining-room, living-room, smoking-room, billiard-room and servants hall. There will also be a long corridor running almost the com-

plete length of the house and measuring one hundred and forty feet in length by twelve feet in width. This corridor will run east and west, and like the whole of the rooms on the first or ground floor be fourteen feet in height. The situation of the rooms on the main floor has been arranged to obtain the advantage of the sea and lagoon from the drawing-room windows. The width of the house is sufficient to also allow of the same magnificent view being had from windows of the living room, smoking room and the servants hall. On the main floor on the west wing will be located the billiard and writing rooms. These will be on the north side of the house. The building will be composed entire-

ly of iron, for the outer walls, while the basement walls will be of concrete underground and of granite above; random rubble granite is to be used for this purpose, and it will be obtained mostly on the estate. Above the basement the window trimmings will be of Saturna island sandstone rock faced. Slate will be used for the roof. For the interior decorations different styles of wall panelling will be introduced and woods from all parts of the world will be used in the portion of the work. The main halls and the corridors will be finished in antique quartered oak, and the same material will be used but this is to be finished in white enamel. The main stairs will be built of oak in their entirety. There will be dome flights and they will probably take an Elizabethan design. This, however, has not as yet been definitely decided, but it is intended that they shall be very fine in design and very rich in carving. Between the two flights there will be a gallery sufficiently large for an organ. The living room is to be panelled in

provided the finest and latest of modern fittings. The walls will be tiled and floors laid in mosaic. Of the building itself the main feature perhaps is the central tower which is fifty feet square and rises to a height of seventy feet, which, with its turret makes a total height for the building of eighty-one feet from the basement line. Two other features of the edifice are the octagonal turrets which flank the main entrance on either side. There are two smaller turrets also, one at the end of either wing. The cost of the building is in the close neighborhood of \$250,000, and it is thought the structure will be completed about April, 1909. The window lights, where stained glass is to be used, will be obtained from England. The work is to be of the highest character and will be done from special designs by the Broomsgrove Guild, Worcester, who last year did the Canada gates at the Victoria memorial, and the gates at Buckingham palace for King Edward. The main stairs will be lit with this glass and the corridor windows. The architect for the building is S. MacLure,

of Government St., who is a native son of Canada and a well-known architect both here and abroad. He said yesterday that any feature of the new building touching the arts will be of special design and in keeping with the surroundings and conditions of a beautiful country house. The dimensions of the rooms are: Drawing-room, thirty by forty-two feet; dining-room, twenty by thirty feet; living-room, twenty by thirty feet; smoking-room, nineteen by twenty-four feet; billiard-room, twenty by twenty-eight feet six inches. On the second floor are to be bedrooms, the best suite of which consists of a bedroom, boudoir, dressing and bath rooms. The measurements are twenty by fourteen feet, with a large bay window overlooking the sea, boudoir eleven by sixteen feet, dressing room the same size and bathroom nine by twelve feet. The other bedrooms are built in like proportions, according to their importance and fitted with several baths. On this floor are the linen, sewing and strong rooms. The third floor is devoted to bedrooms and bath rooms, the same size and bathroom nine by twelve feet. The lighting is to be obtained from a private electrical plant, which is to be installed, from which wires will lead to all parts of the house and grounds. The water supply will either be obtained from the celebrated water springs or direct from the Esquimalt water supply. This matter has not as yet been decided. The heating will be done throughout the house by the hot water system. The house itself will cover an area of two hundred feet by eighty-six feet. The grounds, which altogether comprise some two hundred and forty acres are to be fenced at once and the laying of golf links proceeded with. A portion of the woodland will be cleared for this



PLAN OF GROUND FLOOR OF THE RESIDENCE OF HON. J. DUNSMUIR.

The Times Nature Club

California Quail.
The California quail that are now well established here were imported in the early days, over forty years ago, by Major Gillingham a retired army officer who was a bird fancier and a lover of nature. Perhaps among your readers may be a few like your correspondent who knew the facts and saw the quail, when in large cages they spent their first winter in this country before being released. The exact number of birds I have forgotten, but there were several, cages about three feet square which were kept on shelves built under the trees. In a sheltered little cove near the well known picnic grounds at Kanaka near Esquimalt, Major Gillingham had a neat little cottage and a garden with some choice small fruits in it. That, and his birds, kept him busy. The place was surrounded by trees and bushes, except the front of the cottage which faced the Straits of Fuca. My father, who like Rambler, used to take us children for long walks in the woods, on one occasion took us to see the quail, he being acquainted with the major who kindly explained many things of interest about the birds. He told us of his intention of releasing them when acclimatized, which he did later on. That the experiment was a success, is evident. Shortly after that time, Major Gillingham went away, and the pretty little place soon became a wilderness so that in a few years there was no trace left of house or garden—all gone except the little quail now in large numbers at home in the suburbs of Victoria.

flower which is handicapped by the big name sisyrinchium?
Wild Cyclamen.
The flower known locally as the peacock, shooting star, prairie pointer, or wild cyclamen has the scientific name dodecatheon Hendersoni. It belongs to the primrose family. The roots are small tubers which form new plants. This tuber as well as the sisyrinchium is a great favorite with the children at this time of year.
Learn the Names.
It seems rather a pity that so few of the children in the public schools learn the names of the flowers. Very few of the teachers seem to know them, and of course it takes some little effort to learn unless one is naturally interested. If the teachers may, once a week, and compared notes it would not take long to learn about the common flowers.
Police—and Natural History.
A few days ago one of the members of the Victoria Natural History Society roved over to Esquimalt harbor to dig up an arbutus tree that he had spotted a long time before, and which he thought would make a valuable addition to the park trees. Taking a mattock with him he got the tree up about sixty or seventy pounds of clay adhering to it.
Everything went well on the trip, the two ladies who accompanied him helping to row and making the time pass pleasantly. When, however, he arrived at the boathouse the difficulty which presented itself was, how should he get the tree over into the park? He did not wish to go to the expense of an express wagon so he decided to return after dark and wheel the tree over in a wheelbarrow.
Sharp at 10 p. m. he arrived on the scene and the tree was soon loaded into the one-wheel conveyance. Hearing that he might be braking the law if he wheeled on the sidewalk he trundled along the middle of Humboldt street. He had not gone far, however, when he heard a gruff voice, "Hey there. What have you got in that wheelbarrow?"
"Only a tree" the trundler replied and continued on his way.
Again the gruff voice was heard, "Hey there," and two figures approached attired in blue with metal buttons.
"Oh, it's you is it. I beg your pardon, sir. Good night," and the wheelbarrow trundled on up the middle of the street.
More Letters Wanted.
The editor of this department always welcomes letters or contributions from readers. Very few have told anything about their pets. Surely some young people keep rabbits or dogs or cats that they might tell about. No one has yet reported a bird's nest this year. Some of them should be building pretty soon.

NATURE STUDENT.
Migrating Birds.
Dear Nature Editor—You stated last week that the birds were no longer in flocks but had gone off in pairs in readiness for the nesting season. Last Monday I was out in the country, and I saw two large flocks of juncos, the little black headed birds about which you wrote some time ago. How do you account for this?
RAMBLER.
[Very few of the juncos nest in the vicinity of Victoria although they are quite numerous during the winter and spring. Probably they go farther north to nest and have not yet started. Birds usually migrate in flocks.—Editor.]

NATURE STUDENT.
[In some parts of the country the erythronium is known as the curly lily and that name seems very appropriate. Others call it adder's tongue. Large numbers of these flowers grow on Shell island a short distance from Sidney, where they attain to a good size. I have seen a few of the pink shaded flowers in the Comox district.—Editor.]

Sisyrinchium.
There is a little reddish purple flower in bloom just now known as sisyrinchium grandiflorum. It seems to have no common name except bluebell or willow. Neither of which names seems very appropriate. It is a relative of the blue-eyed grass and is very pretty at this time of year. The leaves are grass-like and the flowers are borne on slender stems that spring direct from the ground. Cannot someone suggest a suitable name for this pretty little

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CARICATURE THE CZAR.
A German artist settled in St. Petersburg has been sentenced in Russia to fifteen years' penal servitude for caricaturing the Czar. The son of a Munich merchant, he studied with great distinction in Munich and Berlin.
In St. Petersburg he joined the staff of a comic paper as caricaturist, and speedily won fame. Some time ago he was induced to caricature the Czar for a nihilist paper. Later he drew a picture ridiculing the Russian government and its ruler. His parents have now received news that for drawing these pictures their son has been sent to the Siberian silver mines.

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What Canada Reaps From Liberal Regime

Hon. Mr. Paterson Points Out in Clear and forcible language the True Significance of This Year's Budget.

(Special Correspondence).

Ottawa, March 26.—There is no better budget debater in the House than Hon. Mr. Paterson, the minister of customs. He is a seasoned veteran, the hero of many a pitched political battle and campaign, and the members of the opposition know full well what a formidable antagonist he is. There is nothing lacking in his eloquence, but what does not believe in the delicate rhapsody play that only scratches, but, true to the traditions of the hardy race from which he sprang, he wields the broadsword with an abandon which is the pride of his colleagues and the joy of the gallery habitués. He has a voice which searches every nook and corner of the chamber, yet, and the lobbies as well. His manner is one of entire sincerity and sterling honesty. Combine, then, with these a well-developed faculty for expressing his ideas in forceful English and you have a speaker who has no difficulty in keeping his Tory opponents in an unnatural perspiration while he is on his feet. Although Mr. Foster who, away back was a minister of finance in the Conservative government and is now, in consequence, chief financial critic, took two days to reply to Hon. Mr. Fielding's budget speech of an hour and a half, an hour was all that was required by Mr. Paterson to demolish Fort Foster, which had been so laboriously constructed. He found it necessary in opening his remarks to voice the general dissatisfaction at the length of time consumed in the Foster speech, which was an unusually long drawn out affair for even the longest winded member of the House. He pointed out that the opposition critic in his first couple of hours had presented his case and that the rest of the time was positive waste. The minister of customs then proceeded to make some fun out of a report of one of Mr. Foster's Ontario speeches in which the latter stated that his recent federal by-elections showed that the people were becoming tired of the Laurier administration. Where did the member for North Toronto get that intimation, the minister asked, in view of the fact that out of thirty-nine by-elections the Liberals had won thirteen and the Conservatives nine? Had Mr. Paterson forgotten that among the Liberal victories was a seat which had gone Conservative at the last general election? The minister of customs then proceeded to make a few comparisons. During the eleven years of Conservative administration the foreign trade of the country had increased by \$50,000,000, while in a corresponding period of Liberal rule the increase had been \$50,000,000. These were facts that Mr. Foster in a five or six hour speech could not shake. How was this great increase to be explained? Were the Liberals favored with more natural resources than the Conservatives? Not a bit of it. The irresistible conclusion was that the Liberals had availed themselves of their resources and their opponents had not. Dealing with the expenditure of the country Mr. Paterson said: "Yes, they have been large and I am proud of it, but this would not be a source of pride if we had to raise the taxes of the people in order to get the money to expend, nor if we had to go abroad to borrow and increase our debt, but when, during the past ten years, we have carried on improvements and developments in all directions and in every province, when we have expended millions of millions of dollars on our capital account, when we have developed our canals, when we have developed our railway system through the aid of bonuses, when we have deepened our harbors, improved our St. Lawrence and cheapened transport in every direction and when we have done all this with a lowered rate of taxation and without borrowing a dollar, I glory in the expenditure. My hon. friend says that the expenditures have been very large. He was seized with a fit of depression as he thought upon them. Maturity loans that have to be renewed! Loans, my hon. friends, were contracted when our friends opposite were in power; some of them at least. Mr. Fielding: All of them. Mr. Paterson: A fit of depression seemed to have him. It seemed to have been afraid, did not know what was to become of the country at all. He spoke of the enormous expenditure, the additions to the debt and all that. What will be the addition to the debt of this country when hon. gentlemen opposite carry out the Halifax platform and buy up all the railways? That is something to talk about. What will be the annual expenditure when they are charged with the working of all the railways, telegraphs and tele-phones? How much will that be a year? Would it come up to about a thousand millions? What are you going to do about it? Are you going to back out of it? We have not heard much about the Halifax platform lately. We have seen them rather trying to get back and say: We will not go on with it. Bleeding the people white with your taxation, he says? Taking all this money out of them? Marvellous people, the Canadian people! Bled in the direction of taxation, as the hon. gentleman has pictured, and yet they are adding by tens of millions to the deposits in the savings banks and in every home there is increasing banks of money. A remarkable, strange, fortunate people! Bled, borne down under this burden of taxation and I do not know what; yet, all happy, all doing well and adding, adding by the millions and the millions and the tens of millions to the savings in the banks of this country. Let us look at the rate of taxation about which he talked. Mr. Duncan Ross: Where is it? Mr. Paterson: I wish the hon. gentleman (Mr. Foster) were here because I would like to say this to his face—it is possible that in the future he might be minister of finance in a Conservative government; when it comes to this country more than the total amount that was given to the Canadian Pacific railway, and that is a benefit that is to go on for all time to come. What more? A country opened up; towns and cities built up; representatives in this House, grand men, like the men who worked the mines there. These are consuming centres for the manufactures of the East and are producing wealth in the country. The hon. gentleman ventured to call that a scandal. I wish we had more of them. He spoke about the Yukon—a desperate thing, he said. If there is anything to be done, gentlemen, we ought to be ashamed of it. It is their conduct with reference to that Yukon railway. What did we do? We made a bargain with a responsible firm that they would build 150 miles of railway in order that we might reach that distant part of our country or Canadian territory—where? How many millions of dollars? Not one cent of the public money, but for alternate grants of land—gold-bearing, possibly. If it had been, all the better for the government; the richer the gold the better—why? Because we would get a royalty on it when it was taken out. Hon. gentlemen thought that that was a scandal. They had influence enough in another House to defeat it. From that day to this we have had to reach that portion of our territory by passing through the territory of another nation—friendly, no doubt, but a customs barrier, and giving advantage to Seattle, Tacoma and San Francisco in the trade of that country which might have been secured for our own cities. That is the history of the Yukon, and these hon. gentlemen say it is a scandal. The hon. member for North Toronto said to-night that though the upper chamber threw out that measure, there was now a majority in the upper House favorable to the government, and we would never venture such a proposition again. No, we never have done so. Where can a syndicate be found in Canada to-day to undertake what that syndicate agreed to do, even if we offered them everything we agreed to give the other syndicate, and a million dollars besides? I do not believe a syndicate could be got in Canada that would do it. The hon. gentleman the other night, when speaking about sending the Arctic to the northern waters to raise our flag and assert our sovereignty, said he did believe in that kind of thing—he would trust to the value of farm and other landed property; that the requirements of the public service; that the existing tariff, founded upon an unsound principle, and used, as it has been by the government, as a corrupting agency wherewith to keep themselves in office, has developed monopolies, trusts and combinations. It has decreased the value of farm and other landed property; it has oppressed the masses to the enrichment of the few; it has checked immigration; it has caused great loss of population; it has impeded commerce; it has discriminated against Great Britain. "In these and in many other ways" has occasioned great public work and rate injury, all of which evils must continue to grow in intensity as long as the present tariff system remains in force. "That was declaratory. 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hon. member for Leeds (Mr. Taylor) says, if necessary—in order to shut these goods out. But we say, No; so arrange your tariff that you will have free competition in foreign markets and you will then have, of necessity, protection to the extent of the tariff for the local market, but do no injustice to any class and recognize the conditions of the country. And so the tariff was lowered. "What result has it accomplished, judged by its fruits? \$249,000,000 of trade with all the other nations of the world under their protective tariff, and under our revised tariff, \$640,000,000. Has the trade been made freer? Has the tariff not been reduced? In all the hundreds of items that were in their general tariff, scores of them were reduced in rate, and only, I think, four articles were raised in a slight degree in the general tariff. One-third of that amount was deducted from all the tens of millions of imports that came from the mother country into this country. What has been the result? Trade from England has doubled, enriching the producers of this country. Free trade? Yes, three times the trade that we had before. If based on the protective principle you would not have had it, if the policy of hon. gentlemen opposite had been carried out. A TESTED SPRING MEDICINE. Cures Sallow Skin, Headache, Languor and Tiredness. You don't need to be told how you feel,—blue, sort of sickness, poor appetite, vague pains, tired in the morning. This condition is common in the Springtime, but fortunately there is prompt relief in Dr. Hamilton's Pills which immediately relieve the system of all poisons and disease-producing matter. Thousands have been so utterly depressed, so worn out as to be dependent, but Dr. Hamilton's Pills always cure: "I can speak feelingly on the power of Dr. Hamilton's Pills because they alone restored me to health," writes C. T. Peabody of Kingston. "Last spring my blood was thin and weak, I was terribly run down, had awful headaches and a gnawing empty feeling about the stomach. I couldn't sleep or work until I used Dr. Hamilton's Pills. They did me a world of good and I strongly urge everyone to use this great spring medicine. All dealers in 2c. boxes. Made in a variety of shapes and sizes, suitable for travelling, sewing room, family and laundry use. Hinton Electric Co., Limited 29 GOVERNMENT STREET.

Mr. Taylor: Read his speech. Mr. Paterson: Everybody so understood it. Mr. Paterson: Then why was it not taken up on the spot? "Why did not the leader of the opposition at once emphasize the fact by pointing out that the first minister had said the cost of construction would be only \$13,000,000? Is it possible for any one to sink so low as did the hon. member for North Toronto (Mr. Foster) when he made such a statement? That hon. gentleman does not care what he says, but no member of parliament ought to venture on an assertion so absolutely contrary to the facts. Why, if he would not give credit to my right hon. leader for honesty of purpose, surely he would not say that the leader of this government ever committed himself, to the proposition that 1,800 miles of railroad and the guaranty of the bonds and the hundreds of miles of the prairie section could all be built for that amount. The hon. gentleman knows very well what the first minister was talking about. He knows that my right hon. leader detailed the bargain that was made, showed how we were to build the 1,800 miles of railroad ourselves and guarantee the bonds on the mountain section and how, for seven years after its construction, we were to pay the interest on these bonds, and how after that the Grand Trunk Pacific were to take the road over and pay us an amount annually equal to the interest on the money that was borrowed to build the road, so that after the seven years we would no longer have to find the money to pay interest out of the pockets of the people because the Grand Trunk Pacific would pay it. And he estimated that the accumulated interest during the seven years might possibly amount to the sum of \$13,000,000. That is what he said. Mr. Paterson then took up the old story that the Liberal party had forsaken its trade policy plank. He read this plank and as it is sound political economy, it might be well to reproduce it here: "That the customs tariff of the Dominion should be based, not as it is now, upon the protective principle, but upon that the existing tariff, founded upon an unsound principle, and used, as it has been by the government, as a corrupting agency wherewith to keep themselves in office, has developed monopolies, trusts and combinations. It has decreased the value of farm and other landed property; it has oppressed the masses to the enrichment of the few; it has checked immigration; it has caused great loss of population; it has impeded commerce; it has discriminated against Great Britain. "In these and in many other ways" has occasioned great public work and rate injury, all of which evils must continue to grow in intensity as long as the present tariff system remains in force. "That was declaratory. Now we come to the operative part. "That the highest interests of Canada demand a removal of this obstacle to our country's progress, by the adoption of a sound fiscal policy, which, while not doing injustice to any class, will promote domestic and foreign trade, and hasten the return of prosperity to

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

ANCIENT WISDOM ON A PRESENT PROBLEM.

The International Sunday-School Lesson for March 29 is a Temperance Lesson, Prov. 31:2-5.

By William T. Ellis. Knowledge is the tree of which conduct is the fruit; but the tree does not always bear! The world has known for ages from the practical aspect, as much about the evils of intoxicating liquors as it knows to-day; yet only within the past five years has society manifested any serious disposition to act in accordance with its knowledge. Now the temperance question has become the leading political issue over the whole continent, with Great Britain also taking unexpectedly radical steps toward this reform.

Applying Solomon's Wisdom. In the long ago of the land of the grape, the contemplative ones had perceived the evils that befall the drunkard. What modern arraignment of strong drink equals that of Solomon, which constitutes to-day's Sunday-school lesson? The familiar words have been arranged as blank verse with chapter headings, and the title, "The Drunkard's Progress," by Prof. J. Wallace Brown, of Missouri:

I. An Enigma of the Ages. Who hath woe? Who hath sorrow? Who hath contentment? Who hath complaining? Who hath wounds without cause? Who hath redness of eyes? II. The Curt Answer of Wisdom. They that tarry long at the wine; They that go to seek out mixed wine. III. A Strict Moral Pointed. Look not thou upon the wine. When it is red, when it sparketh in the cup, When it goeth down smoothly. IV. The Bitter End. I hid it, 7-se- etain etoainn At the last it biteth like a serpent, And stings like an adder. Thine eyes shall behold strange things, And thy heart shall utter perverse things. Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, Or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast. V. The Drunkard's Last Waking Soliloquy They have stricken me, And I was not hurt; They have beaten me, And I felt it not; When shall I awake? I will seek it yet again. "General Welfare" vs. "Personal Liberty." It would be ridiculous to write a commentary upon this lesson by attempting to make clearer the perfectly obvious meaning of the text. The occasion rather calls for a statement of the present-day application of the principle involved. At last the world seems to have got round to the conviction that the liquor business is everybody's business; that is to say, that the social, moral and economic relationship that practically every member of the community is concerned. "General welfare" is now seen to be a bigger issue than "Personal Liberty." It need be tacitly admitted that if a man wanted to ruin his own moral fiber, make paupers of his family, commit crimes against society, and add to the burden of taxation for the upkeep of jails and almshouses and alcoholic

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PROVIDENCES AND OPPORTUNITIES.

These Comments on the Uniform Prayer-meeting Topic of the Young People's Societies—Christian Endeavor, Baptist Young People's Union, Epworth League, etc.—for March 29 is, "Home Missions; Progress in the Philippines," Matt. 13: 31-33. By William T. Ellis. No aspect of Christian missions is more interesting than the plainly providential events which mark the progress of the missionary enterprise. Doors that have been unexpectedly opened have led into untold success. Nobody was planning a missionary propaganda in the Philippines when the conflict between Spain and the United States over Cuba produced a sensational development in this remote eastern colony of Spain. By the strange providence of God, America was thus compelled to take her station at the gateway of the Orient. There she has assumed responsibility for the maintenance of the great ideals of Christian civilization. Like Great Britain, she has become a world power and a missionary agency.

All the Christian people, whatever their nationality, and irrespective of whether or not their own denomination maintains missionary work in the Philippines, must be interested in the extraordinary growth of missions in that Islands since the American occupation. This is so general that to-day the Philippines, along with Korea, are considered by missionary experts as one of the very few places where the missionary is eagerly welcomed and actively sought. The Filipinos, thank God, doubtless, to their training by the friars, show an eager desire for a fuller knowledge of the Gospel, and an extraordinary capacity for self-support. All the missions at work in the archipelago report more work than they have the force to handle. Political problems are at base religious. The question of who shall dominate the Far East is primarily a question of what kind of principles shall rule there. If equity, tolerance and brotherliness prevail, it matters little in the long run, whose flag flies. When we begin to consider the phase of international relations we at once perceive the importance of a Christian spirit on the part of the people who dwell in pivotal places, such as the Philippines. Let an aggressive Christianity characterize the Filipinos, and their influence will be a factor in the life of the entire eastern world. There are not lacking signs that a new infusion of religious zeal may come to the older Christian nations by way of their own converts. The devotion of the Filipinos and Koreans, who practice their faith more diligently than those of us who have possessed Christianity longer, is at once a rebuke and an inspiration to the lands that have sent them missionaries. On this side of the world many church members have been deeply stirred by the news from these mission fields, and an eagerness to partake of the same spiritual blessings is widespread. Wherever men have need there the Church has obligation. Ordinary provision would seem to indicate that in the not distant future momentous events will be in progress in China and Japan; and in these events the islands which have lately come under the control of the western world must play a part. It is now reasonably sure that this part will be

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The oldest existing church building on the North American continent is said to be the mission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, the foundation of which was laid in 1641. An Alaska missionary who only hears from his children once a month, receives instead of letters, phonograph cylinders into which they have talked. Thus he hears their very voices. A new catechism is being prepared for Northern Presbyterians by their Board of Publication, since the historic Shorter Catechism seems to be passing out of favor. A walking race around the top of the Peking Wall, a distance of fourteen miles, was recently held by the Peking Y. M. C. A. for the men of the legation guards. There were twenty-one entries of four nationalities, and a French soldier won the first prize and an American the second. In connection with the Licensing bill now before the British Parliament the London Congregational Union's temperance committee has been looking up some figures. According to The Missionary Review of the World it has found as illustrative of the ramifications of the trade, that shares in three brewing companies are held by 3 dukes, 17 earls, 5 viscounts, 18 barons, 48 baronets, 31 knights, 100 honorables, 87 reverend gentlemen, 33 doctors, 156 army officers and 3 judges of the High Court. Perceiving that the advent of the white man meant the ultimate destruction of the Eskimos' means of livelihood, Dr. Sheldon Jackson, the famous Presbyterian Home Missionary leader, imported a small herd of reindeer. This animal is wonderfully prolific, its flesh and milk are good for food, its hide for clothing, and it is adapted to carrying or drawing large loads in a cold climate. Fifteen years ago there were only ten reindeer in all Alaska; to-day there are fifteen thousand, and reindeer stations are being established all over Alaska, under Dr. Jackson's direction, by the United States Government. A young athlete and student, David R. Porter, whose distinction includes the longest run ever made on Harvard's football oval, the securing of a Rhodes scholarship while yet a sophomore at Bowdoin College, the winning of several athletic championships at Oxford,

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including a place on the 'varsity football and cricket teams, the successful passing of final history examination at Oxford for which English student prepare three years, after only six months' preparation, has taken up as his life work a Y. M. C. A. secretaryship among the students of American high schools and preparatory schools. The National Convention of the American Federation of Labor, in cooperation with Charles Stegle, Director of the Presbyterian Department of Church and Labor, has changed "Labor Sunday," which was observed the first Sunday in September, to the second Sunday in May. It will henceforth be known as Labor Memorial Sunday. SEVEN SENTENCE SERMONS. The man who lives simply and justly and honorably, whether rich or poor, is a good citizen.—President Roosevelt. Every triumph of life leads back by various paths to earlier preparation.—Amen. To-morrow is with God alone, And man hath but to-day.—Whittier. Trouble and perplexity drives us to prayer, and prayer driveth away trouble and perplexity.—Melancthon. Every attempt to make others happy, every sin left behind, every temptation trampled under foot, every step forward in the cause of what is good, is a step nearer the cause of Christ.—Dean Stanley. Where anxiety begins, faith ends; and where faith begins, anxiety ends.—George Muller. A Morning Prayer. Now I get me up to work, I pray thee, Lord, I may not shrink; If I should die before the night, I pray thee, Lord, my work's all right—Amen.

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Take up the White Man's burden—
The savage wars of peace—
Fill full the mouth of Famine,
And bid the sickness cease,
And when your goal is nearest
The end for others sought,
Watch Sloth and heathen Folly
Bring all your hope to naught.

Take up the White Man's burden—
No tawdry rule of kings,
But toil of old and new—
The tale of common things,
The ports ye shall not enter,
The roads ye shall not tread,
Go make them with your living,
And mark them with your dead.

Take up the White Man's burden—
And reap his old reward,
The blame of those ye better,
The hate of those ye guard—
The cry of hosts ye humour
(Ah, slowly!) toward the light:—"Way brought ye, from bondage,
Our loved Egyptian night!"

Take up the White Man's burden—
Ye dare not stoop to less—
Nor call too loud on Freedom
To cloak your weariness;
By all ye cry or whisper,
By all ye leave or do,
The silent, sullen peoples
Shall weigh your Gods and you.

Take up the White Man's burden—
Here done with olden days
The lightly proffered laurel,
The easy, ungrudged praise,
Come now, to search your manhood
Through all the thankless years,
Cold-edged with dear-bought wisdom,
The judgment of your peers!"

The undeveloped resources of human nature in the Philippines are infinitely greater than the much lauded undeveloped resources of mine and field and forest.

It is as important to keep the white man in the Orient true to the faith of civilization as it is to introduce to that faith the pagan natives.

In Manila, as throughout the Islands, there are a company of broad-gauge, up-to-date, all-round missionaries. They stand high as men, and as active members of the community. Protestant Episcopal Church has established a place of social resort for American men, the Columbia Club, which ranks above any similar organization I have ever seen. It is in reality the Cathedral parish house, although men of all denominations belong to it. The Columbia Club is really a first-class club for gentlemen; differing from others in that category principally by the fact that liquors are not sold in the club, and gambling is not permitted there. A more praiseworthy enterprise for white men in mission lands I have not been able to discover in a journey around the world.

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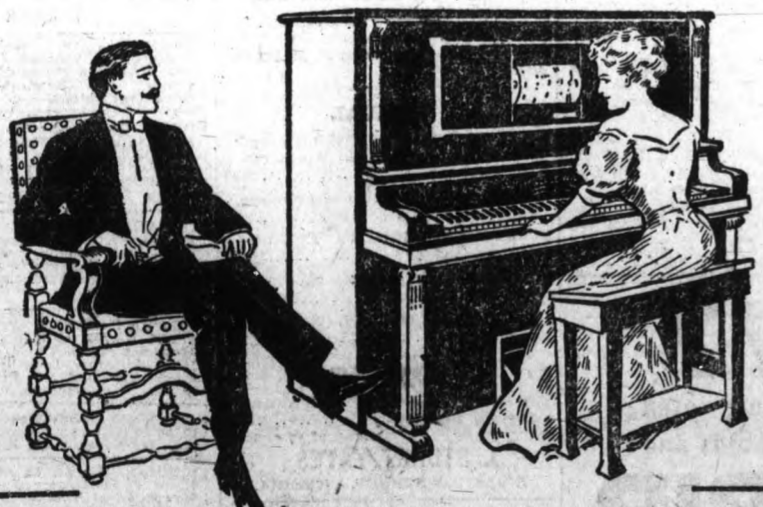
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